

Being anchored Being yoked



**THE MAN WHO WALKS WITH GOD (IS YOKED
TO GOD) WILL GET TO HIS DESTINATION**

SHOFAR TABLE VIEW

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How do we walk with Christ?



- **Ephesians 2:10** For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for *good works*, which God prepared beforehand *that we should walk in them*.

Jesus gives the answer

- ²⁸ Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light.”
(Matt 11:18-19)



Yokes: religion



- ⁴ For they bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay *them* on men's shoulders; but they *themselves* will not move them with one of their fingers. ⁵ But all their works they do to be seen by men.

(Matt 23:4-5)

Even more yokes



- **Yoke of sin:** unresolved guilt or bondage

- **Yokes people lay on us:**

¹⁰ Now therefore, why do you test God by putting a yoke on the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

(Acts 15:10)

- **Yokes we ourselves lay on us:**

The yoke of Jesus



- **Requirements**

- Come: Salvation
- Submit: Baptism
- Walk: daily obedience and intimacy

- **Results**

- He carries the burden
- He determines the pace: rhythm of grace
- He shows the direction
- We are gently pulled along: relaxed/joyful under God's leadership
- We can be assured that we are in God's perfect will and will reach our destination



Requirements for being yoked with Christ –Charles Finney



- Is to accept the will of God for our lives
- Is to enter a voluntary state of entire subjection to Him
- Is to commit ourselves to loving, voluntary service to him
- Obedience to Him because we love and trust Him

Jesus: only requirement



- *²⁵ At that time Jesus answered and said, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes. ²⁶ Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. ²⁷ All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and *the one* to whom the Son wills to reveal *Him*. ²⁸ Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest (Matt 11)*

The anointing breaks the yoke



It shall come to pass in that day *That* his burden will be taken away from your shoulder, And his **yoke** from your neck, And the **yoke** will be destroyed because of the anointing oil (Isaiah 10:27)

AND

The yoke of Jesus brings the anointing on

What is not guaranteed by being yoked with Jesus



1. An easy road

- Because **narrow** is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it. (Matt 7:14)
- Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in **persecutions**, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong (2 Cor 12:10)
- Example Joseph/ Daniel

2. The direction of the road: Samson and his parents



- ⁴ Afterward it happened that he loved a woman in the Valley of Sorek, whose name *was* Delilah. ⁵ And the lords of the Philistines came up to her and said to her, “Entice him, and find out where his great strength *lies*, and by what *means* we may overpower him, that we may bind him to afflict him; and every one of us will give you eleven hundred *pieces* of silver.”
- ³¹ And his brothers and all his father’s household came down and took him, and brought *him* up and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the tomb of his father Manoah. He had judged Israel twenty years. (Judges 14)

Being yoked is being in Covenant: Ps 23



• **English**

- I Am the LORD
- Shepherds
- Provides
- Is My Peace (wholeness)
- Heals
- Makes righteous
- My Banner of victory
- My sanctification

Hebrew

Jehovah
Roha
Jireh
Shalom
Rapha
T'sidkenu
Nissi
M'Kadesh

1. God's provision



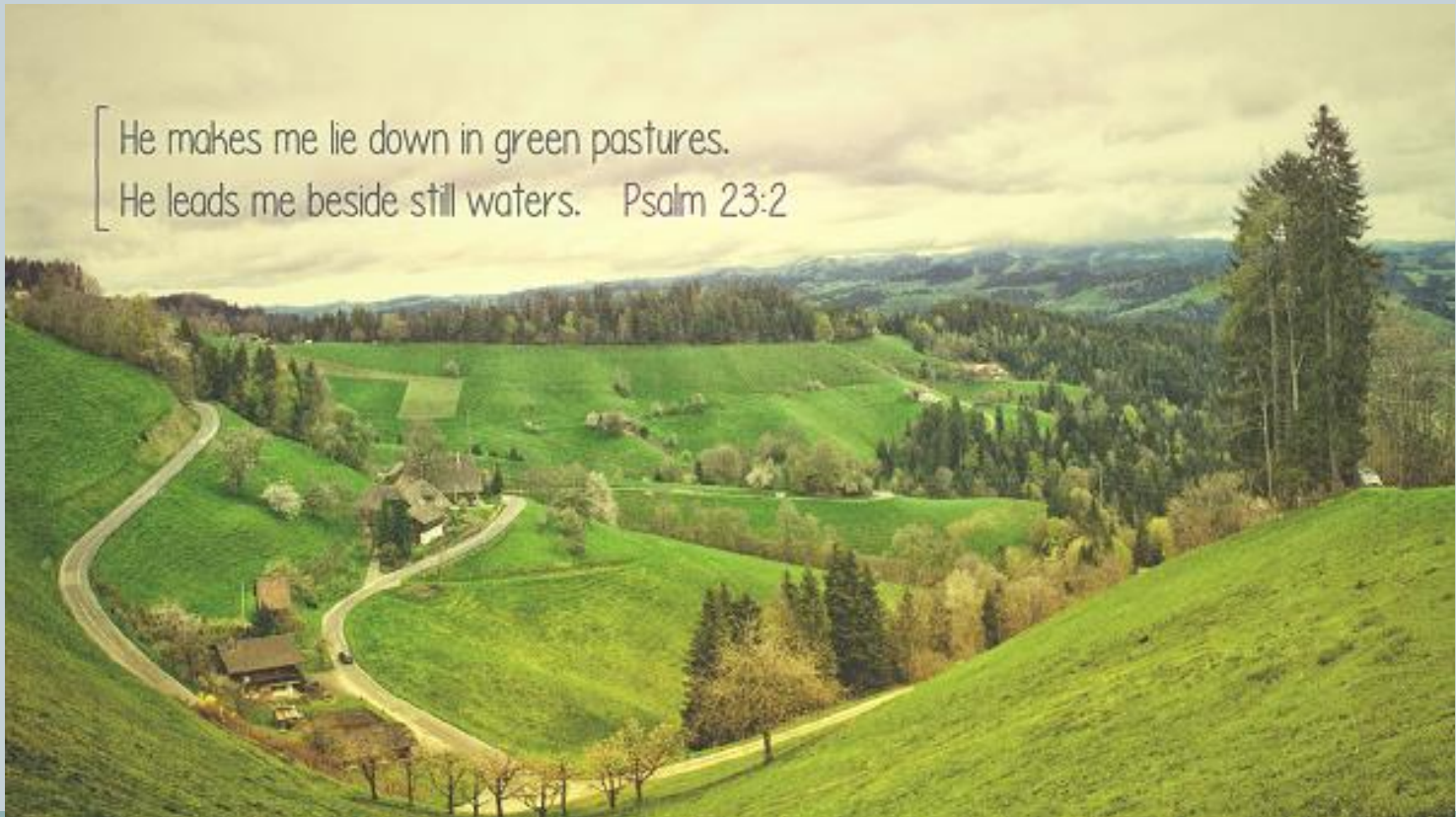
The LORD *is* my shepherd;
I shall not want. (Ps 23:1 NKJV)

GOD, my shepherd!
I don't need a thing.
(Ps 23:1 The Message)

2. God's rest/peace



- ² He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters. (Ps 23)



3. God's righteousness/holiness



³ He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake. (Ps 23)

4. God's presence and protection



- ⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
For You *are* with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.(Ps 23)

5. God's anointing and spoiling



⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence
of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
My cup runs over. (Ps 23:5 NKJV) ⁵

You serve me a six-course dinner
right in front of my enemies. (PS 23:5 The Message)

6. God's blessing



⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life; (Ps 23)

7. Our destination



And I will dwell^[a] in the house of the LORD
Forever. (Ps 23)

